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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Thomas N. Jackson

Serial No.: 09/882,815

Filed: June 15, 2001

For: MELECULAR PROBE STATION

Examiner: Trung Q. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2829

Docket No.: 823.0098USU

**BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	15	Minus	15	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	2	2	x \$84.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$280.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$0.00	
1/2 FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS					\$0.00	

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00.

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- A Request for Extension of Time is attached.
 A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

October 29, 2002
Date



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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2002, please enter the following amendments in the above-noted application.

In the Specification

Please replace the abstract with the following:

A method and system for measuring an electrical characteristic on a molecular scale including the steps of probing a molecular layer or structure of interest using an atomic force microscopy (AFM) cantilever having a large contact area probe tip wherein the force applied to the probe tip is controlled and, in response to the probing, at least one electrical characteristic of the molecular layer is detected.

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